

**PHYSICAL THERAPISTS AFFILIATED CREDENTIALING BOARD
MADISON, WI
MINUTES
JULY 15, 2003**

PRESENT: Otto Cordero, Barbara Flaherty, Laurie Kontney

STAFF PRESENT: Tom Ryan, Bureau Director; Wayne Austin, Legal Counsel;
Pamela Meicher, Program Assistant; DOE Staff

GUEST: Ron Hermes, WPTA

CALL TO ORDER

Barbara Flaherty, Chair, called the meeting to order at 8:34 a.m. A quorum of 3 members was present.

AGENDA

MOTION: Otto Cordero moved, seconded by Laurie Kontney, to approve the agenda as written. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MAY 6, 2003

MOTION: Laurie Kontney moved, seconded by Otto Cordero, to approve the minutes of May 6, 2003 as written. Motion carried unanimously.

BUREAU DIRECTOR TOM RYAN

Tom Ryan presented the administrative report. The Board Chair meeting was held on June 24th, hosted by Secretary Donsia Strong Hill and DRL management staff. The state of the budget was reviewed. Mr. Ryan indicated the department has eliminated ten staff positions as a result of recent budget cuts. Secretary String Hill reported during the Board Chair's meeting that the DRL Fee Study was rejected by the legislature and the department was requested to cut another \$290,000 from its budget. This second round of cuts requires the Department to scale back on travel, operate without filling vacant positions, and explore means of saving postage and printing costs. The Department is considering using e-mail to send agendas and eventually putting agendas and the Regulatory Digest on-line. The Legislative Audit Bureau will also be conducting a study on the fee methodology currently in effect.

The Board stated that it would like to retain at least the level of service it currently receives from the department, and would not oppose a reasonable increase in fees to sustain service at the current level.

Tom Ryan advised the Board that the 800 number is now being answered by the receptionist.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF ACT 70 CHANGES

The Board reviewed the draft summary of ACT 70 changes which will be mailed as an insert to physical therapists with license renewals in the Fall. The Board made final changes to the document.

The Board is looking forward to full implementation of ACT 70.

CLEARINGHOUSE RULE 03-020 – UPDATE

The Board reviewed CR 03-020. The rule is currently under review by the Budget office. The rule will be returned to the Board, with a fiscal note, as soon as possible.

COMPLIANCE QUESTION – VIRGINIA JURKEN, P.T. – BROOKFIELD, WI

Wayne Austin, Legal Counsel will draft and send a reply to Ms. Jurken.

SEPTEMBER FSBPT MEETING – CONSIDER NOMINATION OF BOARD DELEGATE BY MOTION

The next FSBPT meeting is scheduled for October 17-20, 2003, in Kansas City, MO. Tom Ryan advised the Board that all travel must be approved by the department. It was also noted that the FSBPT will fully reimburse for costs related to the conference.

MOTION: Laurie Kontney moved, seconded by Otto Cordero, to nominate Barbara Flaherty as the Board delegate to attend the October FSBPT meeting, with Otto Cordero as the backup. Motion carried unanimously.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

The Board noted the letter from State Senator Ted Kanavas, supporting the request for a waiver from the accreditation process in the matter of Ms. Eva Tsonis of Brookfield, WI.

CLOSED SESSION

MOTION: Otto Cordero moved, seconded by Laurie Kontney, to convene into closed session pursuant to Wisconsin State statutes 19.85(1)(a)(b)(f) and (g) to deliberate on DOE case status reports, proposed administrative warnings, oral examination of 1 candidate for licensure, consulting with legal counsel, and examination issues. Motion carried by roll call vote: Otto Cordero-yes, Barbara Flaherty-yes, Laurie Kontney-yes

Open Session recessed at 10:04 a.m.

**RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING CLOSED
SESSION**

MOTION: Laurie Kontney moved, seconded by Otto Cordero, to reconvene into Open Session at 2:15 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

**VOTING ON ITEMS CONSIDERED OR DELIBERATED ON IN CLOSED
SESSION IF VOTING IS APPROPRIATE**

CONDUCTING ORAL EXAMINATION OF 1 CANDIDATE FOR LICENSURE

MOTION: Laurie Kontney moved, seconded by Otto Cordero, to grant Sonja Hafeez a license based on her passing the oral exam. Motion carried unanimously.

**REQUEST TO RETAKE THE PHYSICAL THERAPY WRITTEN BOARD
EXAM A FOURTH TIME – ERIN M. LEANNA**

MOTION: Laurie Kontney moved, seconded by Otto Cordero, approve Erin M. Leanna to retake the Physical Therapy written examination a fourth time. Motion carried unanimously.

CONSULTING WITH LEGAL COUNSEL

Noted

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Laurie Kontney moved, seconded by Otto Cordero, to adjourn the meeting at 12:34 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, September 16, 2003